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PETITION FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

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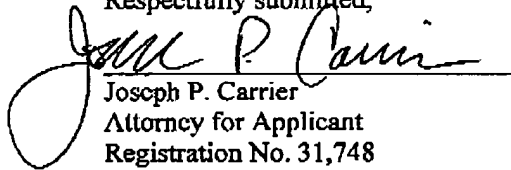
Sir:

Applicant hereby respectfully petitions for a one-month extension of time in the above-identified application for responding to the Office Action dated June 28, 2002. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge \$110.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-0744 in the name of Carrier, Blackman & Associates, P.C. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. The instant Petition is being filed together with applicant's responsive Amendment-B.

Since the requested extension of time would not extend the total response time beyond the six-month statutory period, it is believed that this petition is in order and approval of same in accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 is earnestly solicited.

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being submitted via facsimile to the US Patent & Trademark Office, Art Unit 1775, on October 22, 2002.

